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City of Newport Beach, CA  
**City Manager's Newsletter**

**TO:** Mayor Hill & Council Members  
**FROM:** Dave Kiff, City Manager  
**DATE:** August 22, 2014

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Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: August 22, 2014

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### ***Goldenrod Avenue Footbridge***

Per the City Council's direction, staff is proceeding with an application to list the Goldenrod Avenue Footbridge in the *City of Newport Beach Register of Historical Property*. The City Arts Commission reviewed the application on August 14, and recommended classification of the property as a Local Historic Site. The Commission also recommended recognition of a local artist, Rex Brandt, whose studio was located adjacent to the bridge.

The Parks, Beaches, and Recreation Commission will review the application next on September 2 in the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m.

The Goldenrod Avenue Footbridge is a six-foot-wide, 243-foot-long concrete pedestrian bridge that spans Bayside Drive to connect the 300 and 400 blocks of Goldenrod Avenue. The bridge was constructed in 1928 to span what was known then as "Pacific Gulch" to provide a more direct access to the beach.



### ***Dividend Program Waives Over \$1 Million in Fees***

The City of Newport Beach Dividend Program has waived over \$1 million in private development related fees. This equates to over \$50 million in new building permit value invested in the community. The last day of the program is December 12, 2014.

### ***Veteran's Assistance Program***

The Code Enforcement Division is partnering with Habitat for Humanity of Orange County to find military veterans and active duty personnel who need assistance with the repair of their homes. A local Rotary Club donated money to Habitat for Humanity specifically for veterans who live in Irvine, Costa Mesa, and Newport Beach. Repairs are generally limited to the exterior of the property for minor home repairs like painting and landscape refurbishment.

For information regarding this program and to request an application, please contact the Code Enforcement Division at (949) 644-3215 or Habitat for Humanity of Orange County at (714) 434-6200.

### ***Future Technology***

Permit Counter Supervisor Susan McCourt attended the annual Accela conference in San Diego. Accela Automation is a sophisticated permit application system that Community Development Department will implement to deliver online permits to the community. The conference focused on user experiences, updates, and new tools to help the public. One of the presentations involved using smart phones to allow building inspectors to perform re-inspections right from their desk, very similar to Apple FaceTime©. This technology allows for immediate service for accelerated projects that are on very tight schedules.



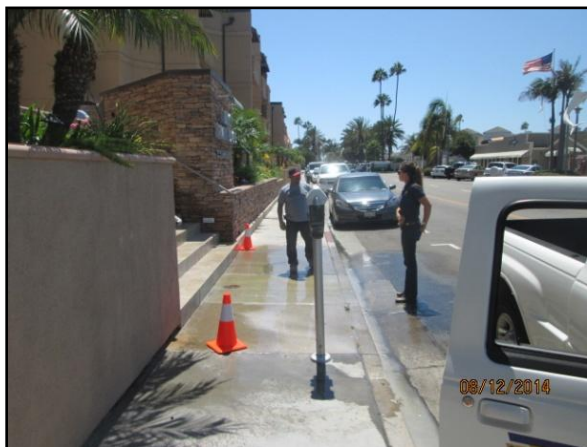
#### ***Congratulations to the Slouka Family***

Congratulations to Contract Building Inspector Joseph Slouka and his wife. He and his wife are proud parents of beautiful baby Joseph Justin Slouka. Mother and child are doing well!



### ***Prohibited Discharge & Water Conservation***

While on a routine follow up inspection in the 600 block of Lido Park, Code Enforcement Staff witnessed a masonry crew washing down a sidewalk and stairs. When staff made contact it was quickly recognized the crew was illegally washing excess grout into the gutter and it



subsequently entered the City's storm drain system. The crew stopped the wash down without delay and used their Shop-Vac to remove the remaining water from the gutter and properly disposed it. After issuing a citation Code Enforcement staff took time to educate the crew on water conservation protocol and prohibited discharge requirements to prevent further violations.

### **Massage Parlor Enforcement**

Newport Beach Police Department received several complaints regarding the misuse of a massage parlor located within the Cojico Center in Corona del Mar. A thorough Police Investigation led the Department to recruit Code Enforcement's assistance regarding the use of the property. On August 6, 2014, Code Enforcement staff, hand delivered a notice of violation to the massage parlor owners. The notice directed the business to stop all operations immediately and obtain a Minor Use Permit from the City. Since receiving the notice, the massage parlor has permanently closed its doors.





## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTING • FINANCE & TREASURY • OMB • REVENUE

August 22, 2014

**TO:** DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

**FROM:** Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

**SUBJECT:** CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

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### **Congratulations to Trevor Power**

As you may know we opened up the recruitment for a senior accountant after Sandra Wilcox left the City a few months ago. After receiving over ninety applications and inviting seventeen candidates for an interview, we are pleased to announce the promotion of Trevor Power to senior accountant in the accounting division. Trevor joined the City just over six years ago and has been in charge of capital assets, long-term debt and assessment district administration. Trevor is a frequent contributor to tasks requiring complex financial analysis, the quarterly financial report and the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). We continue to be impressed by his diligence, thoughtful analysis and high-quality end work product. In his new role, he will be expected to undertake more and varied assignments with greater independence. We are confident in his abilities to be successful with his new responsibilities.



Please join us in congratulating Trevor and wishing him continued success in his career here at the City.

### **BANK OF AMERICA REBATE**

As many departments are familiar, the City switched purchasing card providers from the State of California's Cal-card program to a consortium of public agencies with Bank of America. The benefit of being a member of the consortium, is that all member transactions are pooled together to achieve higher rebate rate. The City also implemented a new ePayables program whereby vendors may voluntarily elect to receive payment faster via the merchant card network but the vendor then becomes responsible for the merchant card processing fee. Both Purchasing card and ePayables transactions are counted toward the City's eligible rebate. Staff members across all departments have worked hard to implement the new process changes and the hard work has paid off! For the fiscal year, the City processed \$711k in purchasing card transactions and \$1.3 m in ePayables transactions. We received a rebate from Bank of America totaling \$26,457. Neither program total reflects a full year of activity. We started the purchasing card in August 2013 and ePayables program in February 2014. We believe these programs represent a successful process improvement for the City and anticipate the rebate revenue to grow as adoption of the two programs fully matures.



Congratulations to the OMB and Accounting divisions of Finance who initiated and administers the new programs!

## **TREASURY REPORT**


The Treasurer's Report provides detailed information on the City's operating and medium-term investment portfolios; the report for the month ending July 2014, is now available at [www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/treasury).

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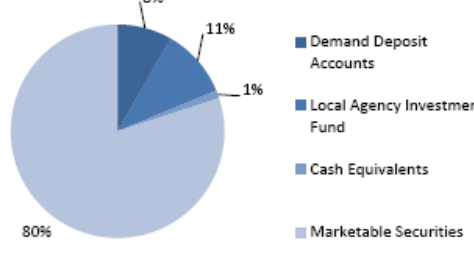
TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Month Ended



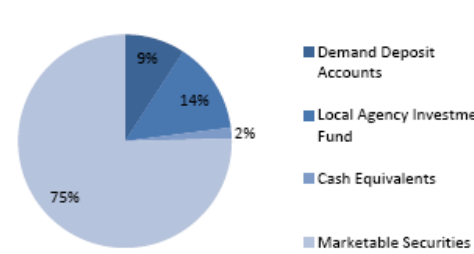
Portfolios	July 31, 2014									
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains/(Loss)	Fair Value	Accrued Interest	Market Value	% Total	YTM @ Cost	YTM @ Market	Notes	
<b>Operating Portfolios</b>										
Short-term Portfolio										
Demand Deposit Accounts	\$ 15,715,661	\$ -	\$ 15,715,661	\$ -	\$ 15,715,661	8.26%	0.53%	0.53%	(1)	
Local Agency Investment Fund	20,033,761	-	20,033,761	-	20,033,761	10.53%	0.24%	0.24%	(2)	
Medium-term Portfolio										
Cash Equivalents	2,297,008	(0)	2,297,008	3	2,297,011	1.21%	0.07%	0.07%		
Marketable Securities	151,685,453	10,337	151,695,789	560,942	152,256,732	80.01%	0.76%	0.68%		
<b>TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 189,731,883</b>	<b>\$ 10,337</b>	<b>\$ 189,742,220</b>	<b>\$ 560,945</b>	<b>\$ 190,303,164</b>	<b>100.00%</b>				
<b>Bond Fund Portfolios</b>										
2010 Civic Center COPs	\$ 1,176,396	\$ -	\$ 1,176,396	\$ -	\$ 1,176,396	17.29%	0.01%	0.01%		
Assessment Districts	2,528,751	-	2,528,751	-	2,528,751	37.18%	0.01%	0.01%		
Special Improvement Districts	3,096,952	-	3,096,952	-	3,096,952	45.53%	0.01%	0.01%		
<b>TOTAL BOND FUNDS WITH FISCAL AGENT</b>	<b>\$ 6,802,099</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,802,099</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,802,099</b>	<b>100.00%</b>				
<b>TOTAL CASH &amp; INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 196,533,982</b>	<b>\$ 10,337</b>	<b>\$ 196,544,319</b>	<b>\$ 560,945</b>	<b>\$ 197,105,264</b>					

Composition of Operating Portfolio  
July 31, 2014



- Demand Deposit Accounts
- Local Agency Investment Fund
- Cash Equivalents
- Marketable Securities

Composition of Operating Portfolio  
June 30, 2014



- Demand Deposit Accounts
- Local Agency Investment Fund
- Cash Equivalents
- Marketable Securities

Notes:

(1) Yield offsets bank fees

(2) LAIF Yield is available Quarterly

## **TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY ("TNC")**

TNCs have sprung up in cities across the U.S. and have established operations in Orange County, Ca. According to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) website they have received applications from 8 TNC companies. Local cities do not have jurisdiction over the regulations imposed on the TNCs and the public should contact the CPUC for any information about a TNC. If you would like information on a taxi cab company or taxi driver you can contact Orange County Taxi Administration Program (OCTAP) or your local city.

**What is a TNC?**

A TNC is a company that uses an online enabled platform (smartphone) to connect passengers with drivers using their personal non-commercial vehicles. Some of you may know them as Uber, Lyft and Sidecar.

**Difference between a TNC and Taxi**

<b>TNC</b>	<b>TAXI</b>
Regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)	Regulated by Cities and Counties
Requires passengers to download their app and agree to the TNC agreement	Are not required to any pre-registration
Rides must be prearranged; a ride is considered prearranged if the ride is solicited and accepted via a TNC digital platform before the ride commences	Taxis are not subject to this requirement; information may be exchanged when passenger enters the car
Prohibited from accepting street hails, waiting in taxi lines or other locations where they are likely to pick up passengers (restaurants, bars, hotels)	Taxis can be hailed and may wait for passengers.

**Other TNC regulations & requirements**

Must display a consistent trade dress (distinctive signage) such as symbols or signs on vehicle doors, roofs or grills	Must carry commercial liability insurance of at least 1 million dollars per incident that seat up to (7) passengers, including the driver or \$1,500,000 per incident for those that elect to utilize vehicles that seat up to (10)
Cannot operate on airport property unless authorized by airport authority	Each driver must undergo a criminal background check
Zero tolerance policy on drugs and alcohol	Obtain each drivers driving record before the driver begins service and each year thereafter
Companies must establish a driver training program or mentor program	Shall allow passengers to indicate whether they require a wheelchair-accessible vehicle
Conduct a 19 point car inspection	

**Should you tip your TNC driver?** Some TNCs have the drivers tip built into your fare.

**Who rates who?** Both, the passenger gets to rate the driver and the driver gets to rate the passenger. Yes, the driver can rate how good or how bad of a passenger you were. Always be sure to review the app's terms and conditions. Safe travels.



**Newport Beach Fire Department  
Office of the Fire Chief**

DATE: August 22, 2014

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**

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**Instructor of the Day**

I have been here in Newport Beach for almost three years and it has been a wonderful experience leading a magnificent workforce. In our workforce we have many dedicated people and some just rise above the rest. Some are exceptional, and among the exceptional there is often “that guy.” Well, on September 2, we will lose “that guy” to retirement. Lifeguard Battalion Chief Jim Turner has been here on the beach for over 41 years, serving our residents, visitors and especially our personnel. He treats every one of our 200 plus seasonal lifeguards like they are his kids, he takes care of them, mentors them, and is always there for them (on or off-duty). He is one of the most compassionate people I have ever met. Often one doesn’t appreciate the work of another until the person is gone, and then it is realized what is missing. When Jim is gone we will not have “that guy” anymore and many will have to step up to fill his shoes. I, for one, will really miss him and I know that everyone in Marine Operations will feel the loss of someone that has always been there; always.

Enjoy your retirement Jim, you deserve it.

## **TRAINING SERVICES**

### **Ethics and Leadership Training**

Our firefighters have been receiving ethics and leadership training from The Josephson Institute of Ethics and Leadership. The Josephson Institute has been providing ethics and leadership training to public and private organizations across the country since 1987. Over



the next two months, every firefighter will attend a four hour class that will cover various topics in the ethics and leadership field, including the “Six Pillars of Character.” After the training concludes, each firefighter will gain a heightened awareness of the importance of ethical decision making and how a well-defined and practiced value system can improve any organization.

## **201 Carnation Avenue**

This week, our firefighters have the opportunity to conduct various types of training in a two story, 16-unit apartment building in Corona del Mar. The building, located at 201 Carnation Avenue, is being torn down and has been donated to the Fire Department by a private investor.



Prior to its demolition, fire-fighters will have the opportunity to practice a variety of skills, including fire hose deployment, ventilation, and search and rescue techniques. Utilizing this building gives them hands on training in a realistic environment, preparing them for a real event. Opportunities to conduct firefighter training in apartment buildings are very limited, and help increase the knowledge and skills of our firefighters.



## **EMS DIVISION**

Fire Captain Phil Puhek was selected to fill the new position of EMS Captain in Fire Administration. Captain Puhek brings 11 years of diversified experience as a Paramedic to this position. He is well respected by the workforce, and a proven leader.

In his new role, Captain Puhek will be responsible for providing support for EMS field operations and will also be pivotal in the development and delivery of the Community Paramedicine pilot.

Captain Puhek is eager to take on his new challenges as we continue to expand our EMS services and explore new horizons of patient care.



## **FIRE OPERATIONS**

### **Newport Assists with Fire in Northern California**

Newport Engine 65, from Corona del Mar, was assigned to the Lodge Fire Complex in Mendocino County earlier this month. Captain Dan Chapman, Engineer Tommy Van Andel and Firefighters Matt Johnston and Joel Chidley were assigned to a Strike Team for nine days with four engines from other Orange County cities. Our strike team traveled over 600 miles to assist units from Northern California.



Engine 65 performed some structure defense, which is typical for these types of assignments. What made their trip unique was that they were used to perform some non-traditional assignments

as well, such as fire line construction. There was a shortage of wildland hand crews, so our crews were pressed into service. Our firefighters worked closely with wildland firefighters and assisted the hand crews in cutting fire lines around the perimeter of the fire. They also mopped up small fires inside the burned area, and assisted with setting backfires.

(Pictured above left to right: Matt Johnston, Joel Chidley, Dan Chapman, Tommy Van Andel)



The Fire Department prides itself on the ability to be multi-mission and multi-functional. Our crews are trained to fight wildland fires and to be able to expand operations beyond traditional structure defense when needed. With the state wildland firefighting resources taxed due to all of the fire activity, this deployment was an excellent example of our firefighters being

trained and equipped to take on extra work assignments and help out as needed.

## **MARINE OPERATIONS**

This August, Newport Beach has had warm weather and water temperatures. The weather and water temperatures have averaged in the high 60's to low 70's.

- 625 Rescues
- 36,776 Preventative Actions
- 841 Medical Aids
- 1,031,000 Beach Visitors

## Notable Events

Junior Lifeguard graduation was held at 5:00pm at Junior Lifeguard Headquarters in Peninsula Park. Our Junior Lifeguard instructors announced the high point participants and gave an Instructor's award for each of their groups. The ever-popular Junior Lifeguard DVD was also debuted.

The Gray Lunde Ironman Memorial Event was held on August 9, with over 100 participants that included Junior Guards, parents and siblings. The competition is a 7 mile run, and 1 mile ocean swim starting at the Santa Ana River Jetty and swimming between the buoys at the Newport and Balboa Piers. The race ended at Junior Lifeguard Headquarters on "A" Street. Awards for the top three finishers were presented by the Lunde family. This year's winner was Nick Rimlinger, a 15 year old Newport Harbor High School freshman, and a 2013 Junior Lifeguard participant. Congratulations to Nick!



(pictured top left, Alys Williams)

Seasonal Lifeguard Alys Williams, recently returned from Khanty Mansiysk, Russia. She was one of 13 members of the Women's Senior National Water Polo team to represent the United States in the World Water Polo Cup. Team USA won all of their games, including a 10-6 final in the championship game over Australia, to claim their third overall, and second consecutive World Cup

title (1979, 2010 & 2014). This was also the Women's Senior National Team's second World Cup, and third major tournament win for this summer. Alys and her teammates have logged thousands of miles traveling to China, Hungary and Russia twice in the last three months. Alys has returned to work at the lifeguard towers and is looking forward to getting back to school at UCLA in late September.



This September, Seasonal Lifeguard Hayden Hemmens will be participating in the Life Saving World Championships, held in Montpellier and La Grande Motte, France. The United States Lifesaving Association (USLA), the professional association of beach lifeguards and open water rescuers, selected 12 young men and women that illustrate the high standards for readiness and fitness set by the USLA. Pictured at left is Hayden on the last leg of the Iron Man at the 2013 USLA Nationals in Manhattan Beach, California.





## **LIFE SAFETY SERVICES DIVISION**

### **Orange County Fireworks After Action Report 2014**

A total of 32 public firework displays provided safe celebration options in Orange County this year; three were conducted in Newport Beach. There were no reported injuries, fires, or health and safety violations associated with these public displays. Eight Orange County cities permitted the sale of safe and sane fireworks in 2014, for a total of 171 firework stands throughout the County. Newport Beach does not allow the sale or use of safe and sane fireworks. Cities that allow the sale of safe and sane fireworks accounted for 100% of the property loss recorded throughout the County in 2014.



In 2014, Orange County hospital emergency rooms and urgent care facilities reported 27 injuries directly caused by fireworks, with the majority of patients over the age of 21. Illegal fireworks accounted for 41% of all firework related injuries. Safe and sane fireworks accounted for 29% of all injuries, with the remainder caused by an unknown type. Sparklers were the single type of firework that caused the most injuries this year. Fountains caused the second most injuries reported in Orange

County hospital emergency rooms and urgent care facilities. Both sparklers and fountains are classified as safe and sane fireworks.

An analysis of injuries reported at hospitals within one mile of cities that have allowed fireworks over the last four years revealed that 74% of all reported Orange County fireworks injuries occurred within one mile of these cities. While only 35% of the reported injuries were treated at hospitals within the municipal boundaries, it is likely that patients were transported to nearby emergency care facilities outside of City boundaries as well. Although this information does not determine that the sale of fireworks caused more injuries, the spatial relationship of fireworks injuries treated in and around safe and sane cities is clear.

## **CERT**

### **Neighborhood Disaster Preparedness Classes**

Over the past two weeks, the Life Safety Services Division has held three Neighborhood Disaster Preparedness classes for the HOAs of Newport Canyon, Dover Shores and Ziani. The one hour presentations covered what potential disasters might impact Newport Beach, what residents can do to prepare for these unexpected events, and what the City is doing to prepare. Topics that were discussed included how to build a disaster supply kit, the Alert OC mass notification system, the Pulse Point CPR application, and the CERT program.

September is National Preparedness month and all participants were encouraged to participate in the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo. The Expo will be on Saturday, September 13, at the Newport Beach Central Library or in one of the three upcoming CERT programs that begin at the end of September.



## LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Library – Cultural Arts



August 22, 2014

**To:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**From:** Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

**Subject:** City Manager's Newsletter

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## Library Services

### Justice Sotomayor Writes to Newport Literacy Learners

Several adult learners in the Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy Program recently received a personal letter from Justice Sonia Sotomayor. The learners chose to read Sotomayor's book "My Beloved World," as one of their book club selections. Many of the learners related closely with the trials and tribulations that Justice Sotomayor encountered as a child in an immigrant family. They were so inspired by her memoir, that book group facilitator Cathy Kent suggested they write letters to her. Their letters related their own personal journeys and challenges, one being the challenge to learn basic English reading and writing skills. To their surprise, Sotomayor responded with a personal letter of encouragement. "Dreams can come true when you work hard and believe that change can happen," she reminded them.

### Corona del Mar Branch

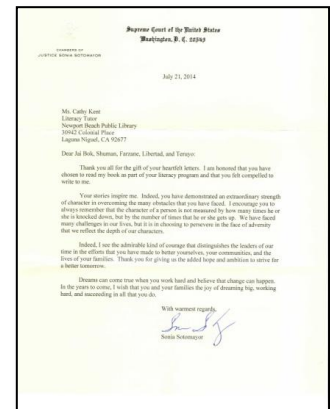
A Mind Mixer survey about the Corona Del Mar Branch has been posted on the library website (<http://www.connectnewportbeach.com>). We are encouraging responses from the community on a number of issues so as to gain a better understanding of the community's vision for library service for the Corona del Mar Branch Library. The survey asks what users like best and least about the branch, how often they use it, what services, programs and collections they want, and what special amenities users would like to see.

### A-Z Database Added

The newest databases in our ever growing lineup, *A-Z Database* provides customers with an easy way to locate business information, job openings, resume templates, executive names and other data for compiling mailing lists or targeting job search leads. This handy database is now accessible from home, office or the library.

### Studying at the Library

Workstations and study areas at the Central Library are busier than ever this week as students return back to school. In addition, the outside patios and café have become popular study zones, both for individuals and groups. Children's storytimes have been on a two-week hiatus, giving a short break between the Summer Reading Programs and next week when the full schedule resumes.

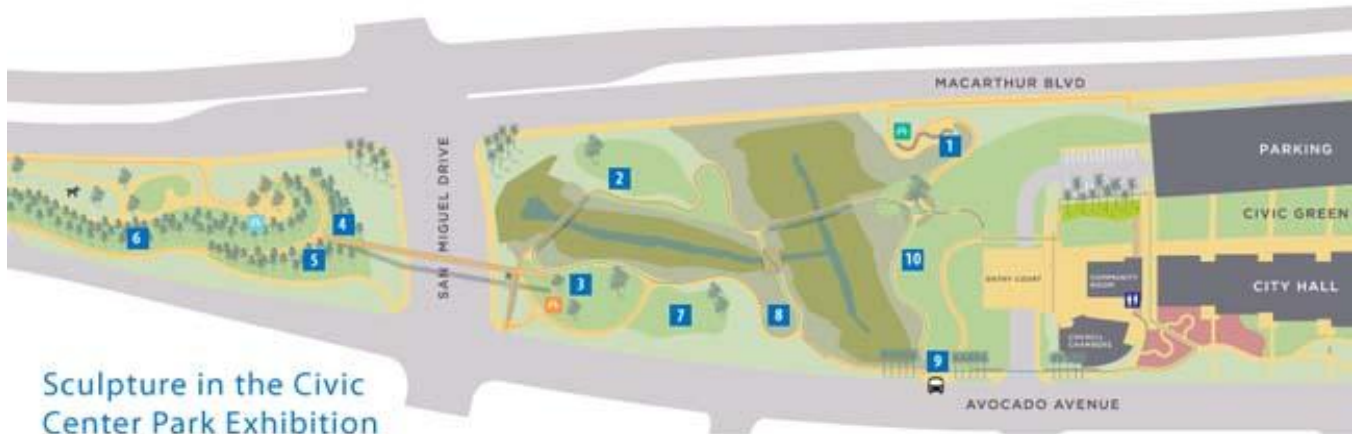




# Cultural Arts Services

## Sculptures Installation

All went smoothly with the sculpture installations in the Civic Center Park and we are preparing for the Grand Opening Celebration on Saturday, September 13. A rack card has been printed advertising the event which will begin at 2 p.m. and include art activities coordinated by the Orange County Museum of Art, walking tours and a special program at 3 p.m. in the Civic Center Community Room.



### Sculpture in the Civic Center Park Exhibition

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. Cub Triptych | 6. Big Wet Dog |
| 2. Red Gateway  | 7. Wintering   |
| 3. Double Doily | 8. Pretty Boy  |
| 4. Brandi       | 9. Odyssey     |
| 5. Sphere 112   | 10. Red        |



## Rex Brandt Centennial Celebration

The City Arts Commission is planning a celebration in honor of Rex Brandt to be held at the Central Library on Saturday, November 1. Rex Brandt played an integral role in the California watercolor movement and had a very special relationship with the City of Newport Beach. Not only did the renowned watercolorist live and work in the City for most of his life, he also created the iconic Newport Beach City seal, served on the Newport Beach Public Library Board of Trustees in the 1940s and 1950s and helped establish the Newport Harbor Art Museum.





## MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

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August 22, 2014

**TO:** Dave Kiff, City Manager

**FROM:** George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Co-Directors

**SUBJECT:** *City Manager's Newsletter*

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### **All-Hands Irrigation Meeting**



On Tuesday, the Parks and Trees Division held an irrigation maintenance meeting to discuss the impacts of the current drought conditions, and the recent State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) direction on state-wide water use reductions. Attendees included City staff and landscape contractors. Discussion items included: visibility when tuning irrigation systems, limiting and/or

eliminating daytime and manual watering, adjusting systems to eliminate overspray and runoff, and many other best management practices for irrigation.

MOD strives to set an example in water conservation for the City's array of businesses, community associations, and residents. The Department is continually looking for opportunities and new technologies to improve its water conservation efforts. In parks, facilities, medians, and roadsides throughout the City, weather-based irrigation controllers, precision sprinkler nozzles, reclaimed water usage, and landscape renovations using native and "California-friendly" plants are some of the water-saving strategies already practiced.

### **Tree Donation at 24<sup>th</sup> Street**

Last month, Parks and Trees crew members John Gemme and Dan Hill re-landscaped the planters on 24<sup>th</sup> Street and the Newport Pier parking lot in preparation for the planting of a donated tree approved by the PB&R Commission. John and Dan installed a variety of drought-tolerant plants in the planter area, and City contractor Great Scott Tree Service planted the Mediterranean Fan Palm tree.





## MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

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### **Grate Modifications**

The Public Works Department recently requested Equipment Maintenance Division assistance to modify two tree grates from their project on Balboa Boulevard. This was a multi-step project which required the existing frame to be cut and re-welded. A 12" section was cut off of each grate and a reinforcement bar was welded on the side cut off the grate. The final step in the process was to weld several cracks in the grate. The grates were then placed on 40<sup>th</sup> Street and Balboa Boulevard. This was a great example of the Equipment Maintenance Division staff utilizing their skills on a unique project to help another Department.



### **Native Planting at Castaways Park**

Parks Maintenance staff recently coordinated a shrub planting project with the Environmental Nature Center (ENC) in Castaways Park. The ENC held a summer camp where it taught the young campers the importance of civic volunteerism, coupled with the value in preserving their local natural ecosystem. The campers planted two California native shrubs, California Sagebrush and Showy Milkweed, in a bare area near the California Meadow Sedge greenbelt.

Even though it is a small addition, the lessons the kids learned are priceless! The City is looking forward to future partnerships with the ENC.

### **Held In Place by the Vine**

MOD received a request from a resident regarding the overgrown dead vine that wrapped itself around a wrought iron fence at the street end of 38<sup>th</sup> Street and Marcus Avenue on Newport Island. Staff members inspected the vine and the fence, and found the fence to be rusted and possibly only held in place by the vine. Staff contacted a metal fabricator to manufacture a replacement fence.





## MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

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The day before the installation of the new fence, the Storm Drain Crew removed the old vine, taking care to not drop debris into the bay. Staff confirmed that the wrought iron fence was indeed only held in place by the vine and removed the fence as well. The wall was delineated off until new metalized fence was installed. This improvement was appreciated by area residents.



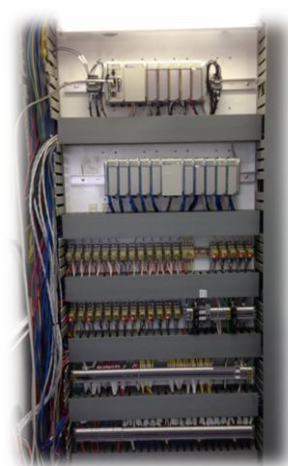
### 16<sup>th</sup> Street Programmable Logic Controller



*Before*

After 18 years of service, the control system at our 16<sup>th</sup> Street Water Treatment Facility is no longer supported by the manufacturer. Water Production staff worked with contractor Freedom Automation to replace, re-wire and program a new Programmable Logic Controller (PLC).

A PLC is a computer processor that controls industrial automation which includes communication with our wells in Fountain Valley, water pumping, water treatment, and alarm notification.



*After*

The new PLC and program has enhanced capabilities for operators and provides energy efficiency for pumping. During the work, staff operated the water system manually with no issues. Great job guys!



## NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

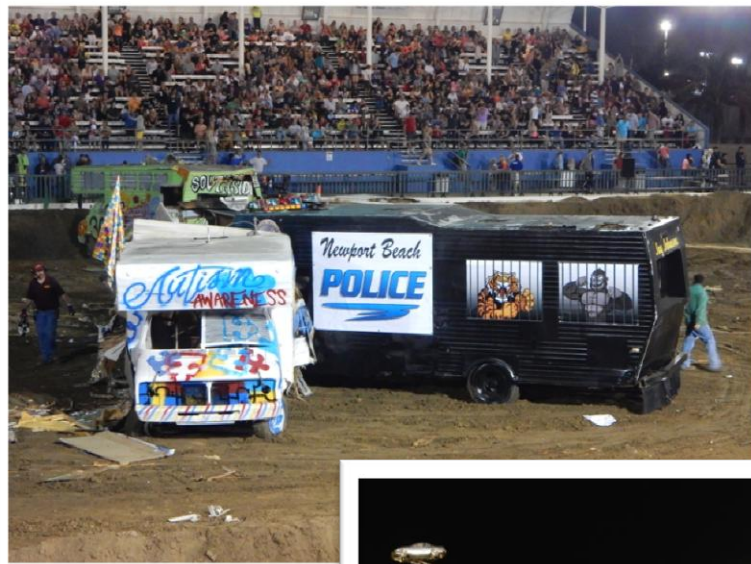
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### **NBPD at the OC Fair's Demolition Derby**

On the evening of August 8, in response to an invitation from Costa Mesa Police Chief Tom Gaszi, I participated in the OC Fair's Demolition Derby. This event pitted several recreational vehicles – each with its own themed paint job – against each other in a large dirt-filled arena. The event sponsors supplied me with an NBPD vehicle (pictured, right), complete with custom paint job and graphics.



The anticipated showdown between Chief Gazsi and me was thwarted, however, by the aging RV itself. At the very beginning of the event, the motor stalled... and I was relegated to a close-up, but passive, view of the action for the rest of the event.

Before the derby began, the event coordinators had promised that – no matter what happened – every participant was a winner. True to their word, I was awarded the tall trophy pictured to the right. "So," you may be asking, "what do you give the guy who





sat and watched while everyone else destroyed their vehicles?" Answer: Best Appearing RV. (There was barely a scratch on it.)

I would like to extend my thanks to Chief Gazsi and the event coordinators for a fun night. Despite the mechanical issues, it was a blast.

### **Notable Arrests**



Our Detectives have made two arrests of particular interest in recent weeks.

#### **Residential Burglary Suspect Arrested**

On Thursday, July 31, Newport Beach Detectives notified neighboring agencies of a series of residential burglaries on the west side of our City. Both Irvine and

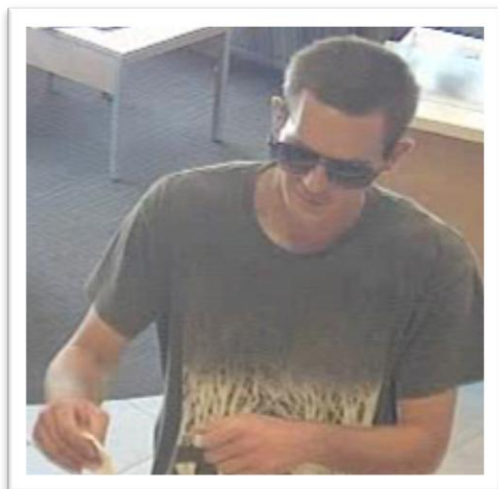
Costa Mesa Police Departments verified that they had similar burglaries and were actually looking for the same suspect, who was linked to multiple residential burglaries in their cities.

One week later, NBPD Detectives located their suspect, Quinton Neal Hamilton, at a motel in Santa Ana and arrested him on suspicion of burglary and possession of stolen property. In all, Hamilton has been tied to five Newport Beach cases, as well as an additional burglary in Irvine and two more in Costa Mesa. I commend our Detectives for their thorough investigation and for their collaboration with our local law enforcement partners.

#### **Bank Robbery Suspect Apprehended**

On Monday, July 21, 2014 at approximately 11:36 a.m., the Newport Beach Police Department's Dispatch Center received a 911 call that a robbery had just occurred at the Wells Fargo Bank at 3600 East Coast Highway.

The suspect (pictured to the right) had entered the bank 10 minutes earlier, left again within one minute, and then returned to the bank at approximately 11:35 a.m. The suspect then approached a teller window and passed the teller a note demanding money. After receiving cash, the suspect left the location and fled north on Orchid Avenue on foot.



The Police Department provided information on the incident, along with several photos of the suspect, to the media. A member of the public subsequently contacted Detectives and identified the suspect.

Christopher Bruce Mellies was arrested on August 1 near a relative's home in Huntington Beach. Through additional investigation, Detectives were able to tie Mellies to an unsolved 2012 Newport Beach bank robbery as well. I sincerely appreciate all of our staff's hard work on this case and the excellent cooperation between the Police Department, the press, and the public.



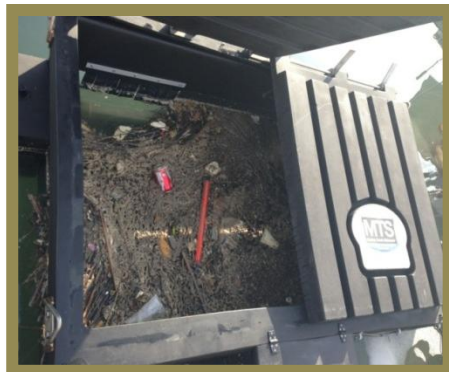
To: Dave Kiff, City Manager  
From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director  
Date: August 22, 2014

### **TRASH SKIMMERS CLEANING UP WATER QUALITY IN THE BAY**

Public Works has been successful in securing twelve new grant projects (*totaling \$5.3 Million*) to improve Newport Bay water quality! Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), as part of Measure M2, established an Environmental Cleanup Program to improve overall water quality in Orange County. OCTA releases funding annually via a competitive based grant program to Orange County cities and other eligible agencies. Public Works has been aggressively pursuing this funding.



***Marina Trash Skimmer***



***Trash and debris collected by the skimmer***

Public Works

pursued an innovative project to install six "Marina Trash Skimmers" (see photos) at strategic locations within Newport Bay to capture trash and debris. The trash skimmer cycles water through a main storage tank trapping floating debris. The units are inspected and cleaned regularly, and to date we have removed **over 11,800 gallons** of debris from Newport Bay! These skimmers are an effective system and another tool to help keep our bay clean and free of trash and debris.

### **IN THE WORKS: EASTBLUFF DRIVE BIKE LANE PROJECT**

Work began this week to construct new bike lanes near Corona del Mar High School. To give interested persons an up-close view of the project, Public Works created a one-minute video featuring traffic engineer Brad Sommers on site at the project. The video is posted at [www.YouTube.com/newportbeachgov](http://www.YouTube.com/newportbeachgov) with links from the City's Twitter and Facebook pages. Feedback on the video has been positive.



Public Works has accelerated the construction in order to open the traffic lanes prior to Labor Day and prior to the first day of school at Corona del Mar High School. Minor work will continue through September 12. The Eastbluff Drive Bike Lane project closes gaps in the bicycle network on Eastbluff Drive and Ford Road. Work includes widening the roadway on Eastbluff Drive from Mar Vista Drive to Jamboree Road and restriping the existing roadway on Ford Road to connect with existing bike lanes on Bonita Canyon Road. When possible, the community should avoid travelling through the construction area by taking Eastbluff Drive North to access Jamboree Road at the Eastbluff Drive-University Avenue intersection.



# PUBLIC WORKS

## Project Fact Sheet



### *Corona del Mar Water Transmission Main*

#### ABOUT THIS PROJECT

The City's Water Master Plan identified the need for a new water transmission main from Big Canyon Reservoir to the eastern side of Corona del Mar. The project provides more than 8,400 linear feet of new transmission line, from 30 inch to 12 inch cement mortar lined and tape wrapped or epoxy coated steel pipes, and relocation of a pressure regulation unit.

#### BENEFITS

The CdM Water Transmission Main pipeline improvement was designed to provide significant benefits to the water delivery system, including:

- *Improves Supply Pressure*
- *Increases Fire Flows for Better Safety*
- *Provides Pipeline Redundancy*
- *Improves Operation and Service Reliability*

#### IMPACTS

Construction occurred in multiple stages to minimize impacts to residents, businesses, and commuters. Traffic handling included night work and brief roadway closures to avoid disrupting traffic as much as possible and to ensure safe working conditions.



#### STAY INFORMED

Get more information from the City of Newport Beach at:

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| ◆ Website       | <a href="http://www.newportbeachca.gov">www.newportbeachca.gov</a>           |
| ◆ Twitter.com/  | <a href="https://twitter.com/newportbeachgov">newportbeachgov</a>            |
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#### CONSTRUCTION DATES

- ◆ Awarded: January 22, 2013
- ◆ Work performed:  
June 2013 to August 2014
- ◆ Accepted: August 12, 2014

#### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- ◆ Completed ahead of schedule
- ◆ Completed within budget, plus approved contingency: 8.9%

#### CONSTRUCTION COST/FUNDING

- ◆ \$4,796,802 with funding from the Water Enterprise Fund

#### CONTRACTORS

- ◆ Constructed by T.E. Roberts, Inc.
- ◆ Designed by Psomas, Inc.

#### PROJECT MANAGERS

Patrick Arciniega, P.E.  
Senior Civil Engineer  
(949) 644-3347

Michael Sinacori, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer  
(949) 644-3342



## **ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT – SEWER PROJECT UPDATE**



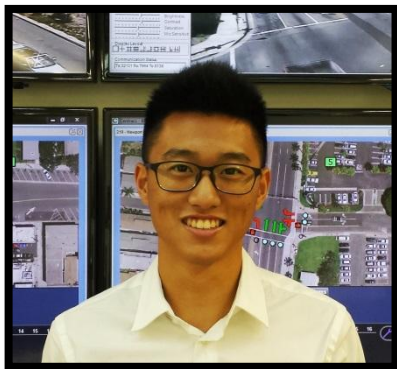
### ***Coast Highway Sewer Project – (Newport Force Main Sewer Rehabilitation Project)***

The Orange County Sanitation District's outreach team is hosting a series of resident and business community meetings to learn more about this project. OCSD project team members will be on hand to provide information and answer questions. From Labor Day 2014 through Memorial Day 2015, the community will notice more construction taking place on Coast Highway between Prospect Street and Dover Drive as the OCSD Newport Force Main Project begins.

Traffic congestion is expected and the City is working closely with Caltrans, the contractor and OCSD to further minimize impacts to all stakeholders and ensure the safety of the public and crews. For more information, contact the dedicated community liaison at (714) 679-2008 or visit the project website [www.ocsewers.com/nbprogram](http://www.ocsewers.com/nbprogram).

### ***Dover Drive Sewer Project***

The Dover Drive Sewer Project is nearing completion! OCSD's contractor has started abandoning the old pipe between Mariner's and Coast Highway. In addition, the contractor is finalizing the installation of the city water main line replacement. Public Works added this water main line replacement to the project to minimize pipeline work in the future and to overlay the street with fresh new pavement. OCSD is working closely with the City and anticipates paving will be completed by the end of September. At that time, Dover Drive will reopen between Mariners and Westcliff. We appreciate everyone's patience with the Dover Drive Trunk Project.



### **PUBLIC WORKS WELCOMES PAUL LEE TO THE TEAM!**

Paul joined the Public Works Team on August 12 as a part-time Technical Aide in the Traffic Division. He is currently in his fifth year at the University of California, Irvine majoring in Civil Engineering. Paul was born and raised in Cerritos, California and is a Lakers and Dodgers fan. When not busy studying or working, Paul enjoys listening to music, writing songs, and playing basketball, soccer and tennis. Welcome to the team, Paul!

## **Public Works Fun Fact:**

Newport Harbor is one of only thirteen designated an Orange County Local Historical Civil Engineering Landmark. It was designated in 1996 and a plaque is located in the Harbor! Can you find the plaque? Here's a hint: It's located in Corona del Mar and near a small beach that just underwent Sand Replenishment!





To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: August 22, 2014



### **Movie in the Park!**

The City of Newport Beach Recreation & Senior Services Department was excited to host a showing of *The Lego Movie* underneath the stars on a cool summer night. The showing took place at Grant Howald Park adjacent to the Community Youth Center (CYC) on Friday, August 1. Families that attended the event enjoyed fresh popped popcorn, licorice, crafts, Lego® building activities with Play-Well Teknologies, and tasty sandwiches from the Grilled Cheese Trucks. An estimated 350 were in attendance for the movie and the feedback was great! This event was the first in a series of small community events that will take place throughout the City.



### **OASIS Talent Show**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Talent Show was held on Wednesday, August 20. The performances were outstanding and included 14 acts, some with singers, musicians, comedians and dancers. A few acts included programming offered at the Center, such as Zumba Gold Class, Aloha Dancers, Hootenany class, OASIS Ukulele Strummers and other talented Opera and classical singers. There were 270 seniors on hand to watch this year's excellent display of talent. Many of the seniors look forward to this event every year and enjoy watching friends perform on stage.



## **Snakes Alive!**

Pint Sized Campers ends another successful summer this week, and celebrated with snakes and other creepy crawly critters. In addition to the visit from Prehistoric Pets; preschoolers enjoyed a visit to a firehouse, bounced in a Bounce House, enjoyed water games, art and crafts and other fun activities. More than 50 preschoolers attended camp this summer.



## **Swim Lessons**

This summer was an excellent season for swim lessons with 1,187 enrollments. Lessons ranged from Parent and Me classes to the “Sharks,” the strongest swimmers, who worked on refining their strokes and techniques. Evaluations from the parents showed a 99% satisfaction as parents and participants rated their lesson as good or exceptional.

Lap Swim continues year round for the dedicated swimmers at the Marian Bergeson Aquatics Center, at CdM High School pool. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 6-8pm and Saturdays-Sundays from 7:30-11:30am.



## **Social Services Networking**

In May, OASIS staff member Susie DiGiovanna called the first meeting of social workers and case managers serving seniors from the cities of Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach, Irvine and Newport Beach. This group of professionals from local senior centers have begun meeting to share resources, information and ideas. The meeting was so successful in sharing victories and challenges each of them face and brainstormed on improvements for the programs. The group decided to meet on a quarterly basis and held the next meeting on August 19 at the Susi Q Senior Center in Laguna Beach.

This time, the city of Costa Mesa was also represented and the group had the privilege of hearing from Bruce Vancil, Case Manager from Shanti in Orange County. Shanti provides supportive services, education and psychological care to people affected by HIV and AIDS. The meeting was helpful and brought awareness on the great work Shanti is doing and the services they can provide to seniors. The OASIS Senior Center plans on having Shanti give a presentation in the near future regarding life choices, dating and intimate relationships.

In November, the group plans to meet again, to formally create a social service collaborative for the area.





*Photos by Holly Fuhrer*

### **\$15,000 Grant Helps the Western Snowy Plover**

The Recreation Department's Natural Resources team was recently awarded a \$15,000 grant from a local foundation to continue their work on the peninsula with the Western Snowy Plovers. The City of Newport Beach is the only location in Southern California where this threatened species of bird nests, and is home to the largest wintering population in all of LA and Orange Counties!

The Natural Resources team has been working with US Fish and Wildlife, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Coastal Commission since 2009 on this project to track and protect the plovers, which logs over 300 volunteer hours annually. Staff is excited to have the opportunity to continue the work, and improve the program!



### **OASIS Fitness Center**

The OASIS Fitness Center offers a variety of top of the line workout equipment for all fitness levels. Recently a fourth recumbent bike was added to the equipment to assist with the demand for the popular cycling activity. The recumbent bike offers an alternative cycling experience to those looking for moderate cardio and is well suited for active seniors and people with back problems.

### **Health Brain Aging Lecture**

Join us for a lecture by Hoag Hospital on Healthy Brain Aging on Wednesday, September 3 from 1-2pm at OASIS. Learn how to prevent memory loss and ways to enrich your brain's function through activities. Registration is required for this free lecture. Please RVSP to (800) 514-4624.

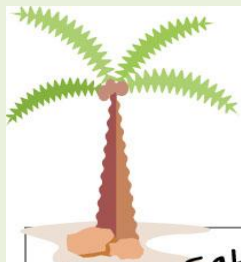
### **Senior Resources Expo**

The annual Senior Resources Expo will be on Saturday, September 13 from 9am-noon. Visit with over 60 vendors from health and wellness organizations, medical groups, financial planners, homecare and caregiver agencies, local animal rescues and more at this free event! Stay after the Expo for the "Taste of OASIS" from noon-1pm. Enjoy "tastes" of delicious items from the six food vendors. Lunch tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at OASIS.

### **Something to Ponder**

“Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer’s day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time.”

—John Lubbock



## *Things To Do in Newport Beach:*

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 9/20 9am-Noon	Coastal Cleanup Day Visit: <a href="http://www.coastalca.gov/opubliced/ccd/ccd/html">www.coastalca.gov/opubliced/ccd/ccd/html</a> FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sun. 9/21 11:30am-2pm	Hootenanny in the Heights (Family Fun) Cliff Drive Park - 301 Riverside Ave. FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat.-Sun. 9/27-9/28	26th Annual Arnette & CNB Surf Championships For more information, call 949-644-3151.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sat. 10/11 10am-4pm	Art in the Park 2014 Civic Green - 100 Civic Center Drive FREE
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